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**32 INDICTED FOR OPERATING A  
DRUG TRAFFICKING ENTERPRISE**

**Baltimore, Maryland** - Thomas M. DiBiagio, United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, announced today that a federal grand jury has indicted TYREE STEWART, age 31, of Baltimore, Maryland and 31 others with crimes arising from their 5 year operation of a large drug-trafficking enterprise in Baltimore.

The 20 count indictment charges that from 1998 through the time of their arrest, the defendants operated a large, highly profitable narcotics-trafficking organization (the "STEWART ORGANIZATION") which distributed marijuana through various markets or "shops" in Baltimore. According to the indictment, each shop was managed by one of STEWART's lieutenants. Workers at the shops packaged marijuana for retail sale which was distributed from a residence, business, or nearby street location. The shops are alleged to be located in the western district of Baltimore, including the 1800 and 1900 block of West Lanvale Street, the corner of Edmondson and Fulton Avenues, and the 700 block of Kirby Lane.

The indictment alleges that for the past 5 years the STEWART ORGANIZATION distributed a high-quality form of marijuana known as "Arizona" which it sold at a price of approximately \$2,000 per pound and distributed approximately 26,000 pounds of marijuana --

generating gross proceeds of approximately \$52 million.

The indictment charges STEWART and four others – DAMON DESHIELDS, age 33, MELVIN COLEMAN, age 25, ROBERT SMITH, age 26, and COREY SMITH, age 27, all of Baltimore, Maryland – under the Continuing Criminal Enterprise statute. DESHIELDS, COLEMAN, and ROBERT SMITH are alleged to be managers of shops. The indictment alleges that COREY SMITH helped manage and provide security for the organization's operations, and participated in violent acts committed by the organization – including a May 2002 contract murder – in retaliation for actions by competitors and others who interfered with the STEWART ORGANIZATION's narcotics-trafficking enterprise and to help ensure the dominant position of the Organization in the western district of Baltimore. Members of the STEWART ORGANIZATION are also alleged to have conducted counter-surveillance of law enforcement officers in an attempt to prevent law enforcement officers from detecting their illegal activities.

Twenty-nine of the defendants – including JEREMIAH KELLY, age 43, of Baltimore, Maryland, a former Detective with the Baltimore City Police Department, and NICOLE MOORER, age 27, of Baltimore, Maryland, a guard at Baltimore City's Central Booking and Intake Facility – are charged with being members of the STEWART ORGANIZATION's narcotics-trafficking conspiracy. KELLY and MOORER are also charged with obstruction of justice for providing advice, expertise, and information intended to interfere with the ongoing investigation into the STEWART ORGANIZATION's narcotics-trafficking activities.

STEWART and three others – including his mother, MARY LOU DUNBAR, and his girlfriend, SHANAI DUNMORE, age 25, both of Baltimore, Maryland – are charged with participating in a money laundering conspiracy. The indictment charges that DUNBAR and DUNMORE assisted STEWART in disguising and concealing the proceeds of the Organization's criminal activities by placing various assets belonging to STEWART in their names, including

vehicles, bank accounts and real property. Also charged are three of the Organization's New York-based marijuana suppliers, CLYDE MCBEAN, age 40, MARLON PAUL, age 27, and JOSHUA AUGUSTE, age 43, all of Brooklyn, New York.

The indictment seeks forfeiture of \$52 million in criminal proceeds and lists numerous assets to be forfeited, including homes and bank accounts.

Fifteen defendants, including STEWART, were taken into custody yesterday as part of a sweeping ATF-Baltimore City Police operation that included the execution of search warrants at 15 locations in Baltimore City, Harford County, and Annapolis. MCBEAN was taken into custody in Brooklyn, New York. Five of the defendants are in state custody and will be transferred to federal custody to face the charges in this indictment. The remaining defendants are fugitives and are currently being sought. A number of vehicles were also seized.

STEWART and 2 other defendants taken into federal custody yesterday are scheduled for their initial appearance today before United States Magistrate Judge Paul W. Grimm. The remaining defendants taken into federal custody appeared yesterday before Judge Grimm for their initial appearances.

The maximum penalty under the Continuing Criminal Enterprise statute and narcotics conspiracy is life in prison. The maximum penalty for money laundering conspiracy, distribution/possession with intent to distribute narcotics and obstruction of justice is 20 years in prison.

An indictment is not a finding of guilt. An individual charged by indictment is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at some later criminal proceedings.

The criminal charges in this indictment are the result of a joint investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Baltimore City Police Department, and the United States Attorney's Office. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys

Jason M. Weinstein and Paul M. Tiao.

<b>Defendant/DOB</b>	<b>Counts</b>	<b>Penalties</b>
<b>TYREE STEWART</b>  <b>7/12/72</b>	<p>Count 1: Engaging in Continuing Criminal Enterprise 21 U.S.C. § 848(a)</p> <p>Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846</p> <p>Counts 3-11, 14-17: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2</p> <p>Count 18: Money Laundering Conspiracy 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(h) and 2</p> <p>Counts 19-20: Obstruction of Justice 18 U.S.C. §§ 1512(c) and 2</p>	<p>Maximum = life imprisonment, mandatory minimum of 20 yrs. imprisonment; \$2 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$500,000 or 2x value of property; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$250,000; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p>
<b>DAMON DESHIELDS</b>  <b>10/14/69</b>	<p>Count 1: Engaging in Continuing Criminal Enterprise 21 U.S.C. § 848(a)</p> <p>Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846</p> <p>Counts 5, 9: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2</p>	<p>Maximum = life imprisonment, mandatory minimum of 20 yrs. imprisonment; \$2 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p>

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<b>MELVIN COLEMAN</b>  <b>12/12/77</b>	<p>Count 1: Engaging in Continuing Criminal Enterprise 21 U.S.C. § 848(a)</p> <p>Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846</p> <p>Counts 3-4, 6-8, 10: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2</p>	<p>Maximum = life imprisonment, mandatory minimum of 20 yrs. imprisonment; \$2 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p>
<b>ROBERT SMITH</b>  <b>8/3/77</b>	<p>Count 1: Engaging in Continuing Criminal Enterprise 21 U.S.C. § 848(a)</p> <p>Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846</p> <p>Counts 3, 14, 17: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2</p>	<p>Maximum = life imprisonment, mandatory minimum of 20 yrs. imprisonment; \$2 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p>
<b>COREY SMITH</b>  <b>8/14/76</b>	<p>Count 1: Engaging in Continuing Criminal Enterprise 21 U.S.C. § 848(a)</p> <p>Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846</p> <p>Counts 9, 11: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2</p>	<p>Maximum = life imprisonment, mandatory minimum of 20 yrs. imprisonment; \$2 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p> <p>20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment</p>

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<b>HAROLD O'NEIL</b> <b>11/23/83</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>JONATHAN MALONE</b> <b>5/09/62</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 16: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>ERNEST ROBERTS</b> <b>8/1/68</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 17: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>DERRICK STOKELING</b> <b>11/25/68</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>ROBERT HEMPHILL</b> <b>4/26/81</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 17: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>CLYDE MCBEAN</b> <b>9/27/62</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment

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<b>MARLON PAUL</b>  <b>1/21/76</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 15: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>JOSHUA AUGUSTE</b>  <b>1/02/60</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 15: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>BERNARD DAVIS</b>  <b>7/31/77</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 5: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>ANTWAN BUTLER</b>  <b>7/05/74</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Counts 4, 6, 8, 10: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>RICKIE FOREHAND</b>  <b>6/10/80</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 4: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment

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<b>JERMAL McCOY</b> <b>5/25/83</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 6: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>ANDRE RAFUS</b> <b>10/02/76</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 8: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>TYRONE THOMAS</b> <b>3/06/80</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>KEITH MASON</b> <b>8/6/80</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>DANTE DRAKE</b> <b>3/17/72?</b> <b>1/17/72?</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>JAMES TATE</b> <b>12/12/72</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>CLARENCE LEE</b> <b>5/23/76?</b> <b>5/26/76?</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment



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<b>VERNON CARTER</b>  <b>10/4/81</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 7: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>MICHAEL GAFFNEY</b>  <b>3/01/1979</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 7: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>LEONARD THOMAS</b>  <b>5/10/76</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 14: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>JAMES JACKSON</b>  <b>12/08/60</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 12: Distribution/Possession w/ Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2  Count 13: Possession of Firearm in Furtherance of Drug-Trafficking Crime 18 U.S.C. § 924(c); 18 U.S.C. § 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$1 million or 2x gain or loss; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  5 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$250,000; 3 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>JEREMIAH KELLY</b>  <b>5/31/60</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment

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	Count 19: Obstruction of Justice 18 U.S.C. §§ 1512(c) and 2	20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$250,000; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>NICOLE MOORER</b>  <b>10/03/75</b>	Count 2: Narcotics Conspiracy 21 U.S.C. § 846  Count 20: Obstruction of Justice 18 U.S.C. §§ 1512(c) and 2	Maximum = life imprisonment; mandatory minimum of 10 yrs. imprisonment; \$4 million fine; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment  20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$250,000; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>BYRON CRAIG</b>  <b>5/17/65</b>	Count 18: Money Laundering Conspiracy 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(h) and 2	20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$500,000 or 2x value of property; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>MARY LOU DUNBAR</b>  <b>3/19/49?</b> <b>4/15/55?</b>	Count 18: Money Laundering Conspiracy 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(h) and 2	20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$500,000 or 2x value of property; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment
<b>SHANAI DUNMORE</b>  <b>7/5/78</b>	Count 18: Money Laundering Conspiracy 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(h) and 2	20 yrs. imprisonment; fine of \$500,000 or 2x value of property; 5 yrs. supervised release; \$100 special assessment